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1. A CAREFUL REVIEW OF REFERENCE, ALL PREVIOUS TRAFFIC AND POST'S INTENDED MARINE STAFFING NEW OFFICE BUILDING, TOKYO, BY A/FBO ARCHITECT AND A/SY/FO, RAISED SEVERAL QUESTIONS. THE MONITORING ROOM CONCEPT WHICH IS BEING PLANNED IS UNDERSTOOD, HOWEVER, STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT THIS MONITORING ROOM SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AN OPERATIONS CENTER WITH CLOSE PROXIMITY TO MSG POST NO. 1 FOR RESPONSE PURPOSES. ADDITIONALLY THIS ROOM COULD ALSO CONTAIN EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT. WITH THIS IN MIND AND ALSO CRITICAL SPACE REQUIREMENTS IN THE MAIN LOBBY AREA AND THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MAJOR MODIFICATIONS THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED UNDER THE

TENTATIVE PLANNING, SUGGEST THE POST CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING APPROACH:

A. THE PRESENTLY PLANNED MSG OFFICE, ROOM G-156, BE MADE POST NO. 1. THE WALL FACING THE LOBBY SHOULD BE MODIFIED WITH BALLISTIC RESISTANT MATERIALS (UPPER PORTION

WITH TRANSPARENT BALLISTIC MATERIAL LEXGARD FACED WITH 1/4" SAFETY GLASS, LOWER PORTION WITH BALLISTIC RESISTANT ALUMINUM. CONSULT CA 7405 DATED 12/12/75 FOR BALLISTIC RESISTANT REQUIREMENTS). FROM THIS LOCATION, MSG POST NO. 1 WOULD HAVE FULL VIEW OF ALL ACTIVITY WITHIN THE LOBBY, THE LOBBY ENTRANCE DOORS, ELEVATORS, STAIRWELL OPPOSITE THE MSG POST, AND THE RECEPTIONIST, WHO SHOULD ALSO BE ENCLOSED WITH BALLISTIC RESISTANT MATERILS AT HER PRESENTLY PLANNED LOCATION. FROM THIS VANTAGE POINT, SHE COULD ALSO OBSERVE ACTIVITY TO THE REAR OF MSG POST NO. 1. THIS CONCEPT WOULD PROVIDE SPACE IN THE LOBBY FOR WAITING VISITORS, AND ALSO WOULD HAVE ESTHETIC VALUE WHILE RETAINING SECURITY SAFEGUARDS.

B. THE VAULT, ROOM G-157, ADJACENT AND BEHIND THE SUGGEST-ED MSG POST NO. 1, WITH COMMUNICATING DOOR, CONTAINS APPROXIMATELY 450 SQUARE FEET, AND PROVIDES A NATURAL BARRIER BEIND THE POST. IT'S SIZE SHOULD PROVIDE AMPLE SPACE FOR MONITORING AND EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT. WITH THIS CONCEPT IN MIND, MSG POST NO. 1 WOULD BE SUPPORTED BY THE POST'S RECOMMENDED MONITORING POST NO. 5, AND ALLOW

FLEXIBILITY BETWEEN THE 2 MARINE GUARDS IN SPELLING EACH OTHER FOR MONITORING PURPOSES. ALSO THIS POST WOULD BE FURTHER SUPPORTED BY THE RECOMMENDED POST NO. 2, A 24 HOUR ROVING AND ESCORT POST.

C. THIS CONCEPT, OF COURSE, REQUIRES SPACE FOR THE NCOIC AND A/NCOIC OFFICE. THE POST SHOULD CONSIDER RELOCATING THIS OFFICE ELSEWERE ON THE GROUND FLOOR, OR ADJACENT TO THE RSO OFFICE ON THE THIRD FLOOR.

D. FEASIBILITY SHOULD BE EXPLORED FOR SIMILAR BALLISTIC LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.

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MODIFICATION IN THE CONSULAR LOBBY AREA.

E. PACKAGE INSPECTION AND CONTROL SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED PRIOR TO ACCESS INTO THE BUILDING PROPER, EITHER AT THE ENTRANCE OR AT THE EXTERNAL PERIMETER OF THE BUILDING. THIS INSPECTION COULD BE DONE BY PROPERLY EQUIPPED LOCAL CONTRACT GUARDS AT THE ENTRANCE GATES.

2. CONCERNING THE MARINE GUARD STAFFING AND POST'S RECOMMENDED ALTERNATE COURSES OF ACTION WITH THE MSG GUARD FORCE, A/SY/FO REQUIRES A DEFINITE PLAN FOR CONTROLS IN ORDER TO BE FULLY, AND WE INTEND TO BE, RESPONSIVE TO NEEDS. WE UNDERSTAND THE POST'S RATIONALE, BUT QUESTION THE NECESSITY FOR A 12 HOUR POST ON THE 9TH FLOOR. WITH THE INSTALLATION OF SOPHISTICATED ALARMS AND LOCKING DEVICES, BLOCKING OFF STAIRWELLS, USE OF CCTV SYSTEMS, POST'S

RECOMMENDED POST NO. 2, A ROVING AND ESCORT POST, SHOULD SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT. IF NECESSARY FOR FURTHER AMERICAN CONTROL ON THE 9TH FLOOR, AND SINCE VISITORS HAVE BEEN ALREADY SCREENED AT THE LOWER LEVELS, ASSUME ONE OF THE AMERICAN SECRETARIES ASSIGNED TO THE FRONT OFFICE COULD CONFIRM APPOINTMENTS AND DIRECT VISITORS TO THE PROPER OFFICES.

- 3. HOW ARE THE PLANS FOR THE MSG DESK REQUIREMENTS COMING ALONG? ABOVE CONCEPT MAY CHANGE SOME OF THE POST'S PLANNING, HOWEVER, POST NO. 1 MSG DESK WOULD NOT REQUIRE ANY MAJOR DESIGN SINCE IT WILL BE BEHIND A BALLISTIC RESISTANT ENCLOSURE.
- 4. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP POST'S VIEWS AND WHEN DESK REQUIREMENTS CAN BE EXPECTED. KISSINGER

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